

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the Summary of Invention section on page 2, lines 13-32, with the following amended section:

--In consideration of the foregoing, an object of the present invention is to provide an improvement in this type of image communication apparatus.

Another object of the present invention is to provide an image communication apparatus capable of effectively reproducing image data received in data communication and data from a data processing terminal.

These and other objects are accomplished by providing an image processing apparatus that comprises a reader, arranged to read an image and to generate image data representing the image, a memory, arranged to store the image data, and an output unit, arranged to output the image data. The apparatus is also provided with a connector, arranged to connect the apparatus to an information processing terminal, and a controller. The controller is arranged to control whether the image data from the reader is stored in the memory and then is outputted to the output unit without being transmitted to the information processing terminal connected by the connector or transferred to the information processing terminal connected by the connector and then outputted to the output unit as a sequentially image output operation.~~an image communication apparatus comprising data converting means for converting image data received in data communication and data sent from a data processing terminal into bit map image data, and reproducing means for reproducing the bit map image data.~~

Still other objects of the present invention, and the advantages thereof, will

become fully apparent from the following description of the preferred embodiments to be taken in conjunction with the attached drawings.--